Moll Thompſon's Mark

Tune—— *Derry down.*

THERE is a cant ſaying has long been in uſe,
Apply'd to the fooliſh, the vain, and profuſe;
MT ſounds EMPTY, wrote a witty young ſpark.
Comes another, & conſtrues it Moll Thompſon's mark.
Derry down, &c.

As the mark of Moll Thompſon ſome meaning doth bear,
Which Gents. in appearance do too often wear,
Let's toſs it about, for no harm do I ſee
Can reſult from the freedom of uſing MT.

The prig in the city with air debonair,
Apes his lordſhip in dreſs, and bawls out,—a chair!
With object inferior he ſcorns to be free,
And his head, void of thought, bears mark of MT.

The Alderman plac'd in his great chair of ſtate,
To prove his ſound wiſdom, old laws will relate;
No man o'er a haunch, acts ſo greatly as he;
But his belly excluded, the reſt is MT.

A caſk that is empty affords the moſt ſound,
So blades fond of ſpouting, in noiſe much abound;
Their anſwers muſt comic or tragical be;
They throw nature aſide, to wear mark of MT.

The player affected, ſo vain his deſire,
For gold uſes tinſel to grace his attire;
Tho' deck'd in appearance, as gay as can be,
His pocket (ſad fortune!) wears mark of MT.

Since Moll Thompſon's mark for diſcredit doth paſs,
Come join in my toaſt, and each man drink his glaſs;
May our heads and our pocket for ever be free
From ſcandalous term of the mark of MT.

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